

Supreme Court of Florida

FRIDAY, JANUARY 16, 2004

CASE NO.: SC96629

INQUIRY CONCERNING A
JUDGE, NO. 99-09

RE: PATRICIA KINSEY

On December 4, 2003, the Court administered a public reprimand in this cause. Subsequently, the Court was notified by counsel for Judge Kinsey that there was a factual error in the content of the oral reprimand. Having determined that counsel is correct, it is hereby ordered that the following portions of the reprimand marked in struck-through typeface as set out below are hereby stricken:

Charge 7 against you involves another piece of campaign material entitled, "A Shocking Story of Judicial Abuse." In this material you described events involving your opponent's conduct in office in a way that was clearly intended to deceive the public as to the true facts.

This material alleged that your opponent released a defendant on bond after he was charged with battering his mother. Soon afterward, according to this brochure, the defendant's parents returned to your opponent and report that the son was making threatening phone calls.

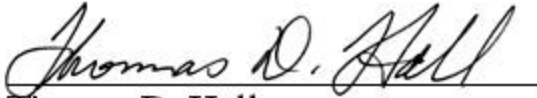
The brochure stated in large bold letters that, instead of revoking the defendant's bond and putting him in jail, your opponent offered to put the elderly parents in jail. ~~In point of fact, Judge Kinsey, no such thing happened.~~ In point of fact, your opponent immediately revoked the defendant's bond ~~and never threatened to put the parents in jail.~~

In point of fact, Judge Kinsey, the very brochure that made this claim also included material in fine print - unlikely to be read by the public - that directly contradicted the claim you made in bold typeface.

The permanent record of the public reprimand on file in this Court shall be corrected to omit the material struck through above, and no reference to this struck-through material may be made in citing the contents of this reprimand.

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